

Old Stone School House
Bristol, Maine

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WRITTEN HISTORICAL AND DESCRIPTIVE DATA

District of Maine

Historic American Buildings Survey
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537 Congress Street, Portland, Maine

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"OLD STONE SCHOOL HOUSE"

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(Rock School House)

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Bristol, Lincoln County, Maine

Owner

School Alumni Association

Date of Erection

1835

Present Condition

Gable ends and roof of building have been re-shingled. Sash replaced. Original ceiling has been replaced. All desks and seats have been removed from the center of the school room.

Number of Stories

One

Materials of Construction

The building is constructed of rough hewn granite to the plate. Crevices between stone filled with small stone and mortar. Original pine floor. Interior walls plastered. Pine dado to window stool. A few of the crudely constructed desks and seats of the school room still remain. It is believed that the original chimney of the structure was located in the center of the building and that the chimney base rested on beams at level of school room ceiling. Probably a stove was located in the center of the room and a pipe from the stove entered the brick chimney above. Reason for this supposition is due to the finding of notched beams where two short beams which probably supported this chimney have been removed. The present chimney is located near the end of the building.

Other Existing Records

(Newspaper Clipping) Portland Press Herald June 9, 1927.

Additional Data

This building is noteworthy because of the use of native granite in its walls.

At the time of the erection of the school building, it was voted in town meeting in Bristol to assess each inhabitant his pro rata share of the wood to heat the school and his proportionate time in boarding the master.

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The ownership of the school building has been transferred from the Town of Bristol to an association formed by alumni of the school, to preserve the building for historic interest.

The building is located between Bristol Mills and Round Pond.

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Date 1/5/57

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